

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A method for sharing user-configured browser information between at least two network browsers configured to communicate the user-configured browser information via a network, comprising:

generating the user-configured browser information during execution of a first network browser on a first computer in response to user-input commands; and

transmitting the user-configured browser information via the network to a second computer containing a second network browser, wherein the user-configured browser information is adapted to reconfigure the second network browser.

2. The method of claim 1, wherein generating comprises generating input device information representing user input to an input device connected to the first computer.

3. The method of claim 1, wherein generating comprises generating the user-configured browser information during at least one browsing session.

4. The method of claim 1, wherein generating comprises generating at least one of bookmark information and favorites information.

5. The method of claim 1, wherein generating comprises generating network addresses for electronic documents accessed during at least one browsing session.

6. The method of claim 1, wherein generating comprises generating user-preferences information.

7. The method of claim 1, wherein transmitting comprises sending an electronic mail message containing the user-configured browser information.

8. The method of claim 1, wherein transmitting comprises sending an electronic mail message containing the user-configured browser information and wherein the user-configured browser information comprises at least one of bookmark information, favorites information, user-preferences information and network addresses.

1 9. The method of claim 1, wherein transmitting occurs automatically in response
2 to a predetermined event.

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4 10. The method of claim 1, wherein transmitting occurs in response to a user
5 command.

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7 11. The method of claim 1, further comprising reconfiguring the second network
8 browser according to the user-configured browser information.

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10 12. The method of claim 1, further comprising buffering the user-configured
11 browser information prior to the step of transmitting.

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13 13. A method for reconfiguring a first browser located on a first computer,
14 comprising:

15 parsing user-configured browser information received from a second computer
16 connected to the first computer via a network, wherein the user-configured browser
17 information comprises information generated during execution of a second browser
18 located on the second computer; and

19 reconfiguring the first browser according to the user-configured browser
20 information.

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22 14. The method of claim 13, wherein reconfiguring comprises changing the
23 contents of data structures of the first browser.

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25 15. The method of claim 13, further comprising, prior to parsing, receiving an e-
26 mail message containing the user-configured browser information.

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28 16. The method of claim 13, wherein reconfiguring comprises changing at least one
29 of bookmark information, favorites information, user-preferences information and
30 accessed network addresses information.

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32 17. A signal-bearing medium containing a browser program which, when executed

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1 by a processor, performs a method for sharing user-configured browser information
2 between at least two network browsers configured to communicate the user-configured
3 browser information via a network, the method comprising:

4 generating the user-configured browser information during execution of a first
5 network browser on a first computer in response to user-input commands; and

6 transmitting the user-configured browser information via a network to a second
7 computer containing a second network browser, wherein the user-configured browser
8 information is adapted to reconfigure the second network browser.

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10 18. The signal-bearing medium of claim 17, wherein generating comprises
11 generating input device information representing user input to an input device
12 connected to the computer.

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14 A 19. The signal-bearing medium of claim 17, wherein generating comprises
15 generating the user-configured browser information during at least one browsing
16 session.

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18 20. The signal-bearing medium of claim 17, wherein generating comprises
19 generating at least one of bookmark information and favorites information.

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21 21. The signal-bearing medium of claim 17, wherein generating comprises
22 generating network addresses for electronic documents accessed during at least one
23 browsing session.

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25 22. The signal-bearing medium of claim 17, wherein generating comprises
26 generating user-preferences information.

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28 23. The signal-bearing medium of claim 17, wherein transmitting comprises
29 sending an electronic mail message containing the user-configured browser
30 information.

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32 24. The signal-bearing medium of claim 17, wherein transmitting comprises

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1 sending an electronic mail message containing the user-configured browser information
2 and wherein the user-configured browser information comprises at least one of
3 bookmark information, favorites information, user-preferences information and
4 network addresses.

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6 25. The signal-bearing medium of claim 17, wherein transmitting occurs
7 automatically in response to a predetermined event.

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9 26. The signal-bearing medium of claim 17, further comprising reconfiguring the
10 second network browser according to the user-configured browser information.

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12 27. The signal-bearing medium of claim 17, further comprising buffering the user-
13 configured browser information prior to the step of transmitting.

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15 28. A signal-bearing medium containing a browser program which, when executed
16 by a processor, performs a method for reconfiguring a first browser located on a first
17 computer, comprising:

18 parsing user-configured browser information received from a second computer
19 connected to the first computer via a network, wherein the user-configured browser
20 information comprises information generated during execution of a second browser
21 located on the second computer; and

22 reconfiguring the first browser according to the user-configured browser
23 information.

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25 29. The signal-bearing medium of claim 28, wherein reconfiguring comprises
26 changing the contents of data structures of the first browser.

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28 30. The signal-bearing medium of claim 28, further comprising, prior to parsing,
29 receiving an e-mail message containing the user-configured browser information.

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31 31. The signal-bearing medium of claim 28, wherein reconfiguring comprises
32 changing at least one of bookmark information, favorites information, user-preferences

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1 information and accessed network addresses information.

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3 32. An apparatus, comprising:

4 a first computer comprising a first processor and a first memory containing a
5 first browser program, wherein the first browser generates first browser information in
6 response to user-input commands and wherein the first computer is configured to send
7 the first browser information to the second computer;

8 a second computer comprising a second processor and a second memory
9 containing a second browser program, wherein the second browser program is
10 reconfigured according to the received first browser information; and

11 a network connecting the first and second computer and configured to support
12 transmission of the first browser information to the second computer.
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14 33. The apparatus of claim 32, wherein the first memory contains an electronic mail
15 program configured to send the first browser information to the second computer.

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17 A 34. The apparatus of claim 32, wherein the second memory contains an electronic
18 mail program configured to receive the first browser information.
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20 35. The apparatus of claim 32, wherein the first browser information comprises at
21 least one of bookmark information, favorites information, user-preferences information
22 and accessed network addresses information.
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24 36. The apparatus of claim 32, wherein the second computer is configured to
25 generate second browser information in response to user commands input to the second
26 computer and wherein the second browser information is sent to the first browser
27 program via the network and is utilized to reconfigure the first browser program.
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29 37. The apparatus of claim 36, wherein the second browser information comprises
30 at least one of bookmark information, favorites information, user-preferences
31 information and accessed network addresses information.
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